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In re Application of:

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Serial No.: 09/884,906

Filed: June 21, 2001

For: SURFACE MODIFIED SILICA BY PLASMA
POLYMERIZATION PREPARATION METHOD AND
APPARATUS THEREOF

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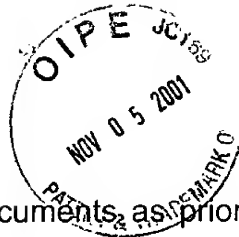
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO 1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application. A copy of the listed documents including any copending patent applications, is attached.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notation on the attached form.

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documents as prior art against any claim in the application and applicants determine that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, applicants reserve the right to present to the office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

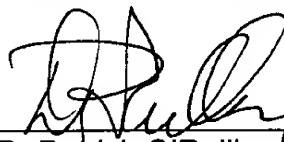
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